

QUALITY OF LIFE SURVEY RESULTS

(Numeric scores can range from 1(poor) to 5(much better) except for question 15.
The resulting scores from the survey are positioned in the response area.

USSOUTHCOM Quality of Life (QOL) Survey

The following survey (21 Questions) is intended for military assigned to USSOUTHCOM in Miami who have already had at least two previous assignments. Its goal is to compare QOL at USSOUTHCOM with previous assignment locations. QOL normally takes into consideration factors such as: availability of healthcare, education, housing, spouse employment, family support, and MWR/fitness facilities.

Click the choice that most nearly matches your sentiments. Click submit below to send the form.

1. Overall, I would rate the QOL at USSOUTHCOM compared to my previous assignment as:

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignment

➔2.88

- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignmen

2. Taking into consideration the Jan 03 increase in the basic housing allowance, I would rate my ability to find quality housing compared to my previous assignments as:

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments

➔2.98

- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

3. How would you rate the impact of not having available base housing on your QOL:

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments

→2.81

- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

4. How would you compare availability of quality healthcare with quality medical professionals/expertise to your previous assignments:

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments

→2.87

- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

5. How would you compare availability of quality dental care with your previous assignments

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments

→2.98

- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

6. How would you compare availability of quality education for your dependent children with your previous assignments (skip if not applicable):

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments

➔2.77

- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

7. How would you compare availability and quality of off-duty higher education (ie. colleges/universities/technical programs) programs with your previous assignments:

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments

➔3.09

- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

8. How would you compare availability of quality childcare programs with your previous assignments (skip if not applicable)

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments

➔2.86

- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

9. How would you compare availability of spouse employment opportunities with your previous assignments:

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments

→3.05

- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

10. How would you compare availability of family support services with your previous assignments:

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments

→2.82

- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

11. How would you compare availability of recreational/entertainment activities with your previous assignments: (includes parks, arts and crafts, outdoor recreation, golf courses, movie houses, etc.)

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments

→3.19

- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

12. How would you compare availability of fitness facilities with your previous assignments:

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments

2.69

- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

13. How would you compare the availability of shopping facilities with your previous assignments. (take into consideration availability of the Exchange/Food Mart at Homestead and Coast Guard Exchange facilities in Miami as well as supermarkets, discount centers, and malls)



Much poorer than that at my previous assignments



Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments

→2.84



About the same as my previous assignments



Somewhat better than my previous assignments



Much better than my previous assignments

14. How would you compare affordability of products available in shopping facilities with your previous assignments.



Much poorer than that at my previous assignments



Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments

→2.69



About the same as my previous assignments



Somewhat better than my previous assignments



Much better than my previous assignments

15. *How often do you use the BX/Food Mart at Homestead Air Reserve Base?*

- ☐ Have never used, but know it exists
- ☐ Have never used, didn't know it existed
- ☐ Use at least once weekly
- ☐ Use at least once every two weeks

→4.59

- ☐ Use at least once monthly
- ☐ Use only a couple of times a year
- ☐ Use no more than once a year

16. *Compared with previous assignments, I find the ability of my pay to cover the cost of living:*

- ☐ Much poorer than that at my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat poorer than that at my previous assignments

→2.32

- ☐ About the same as my previous assignments
- ☐ Somewhat better than my previous assignments
- ☐ Much better than my previous assignments

17. My grade:

- ☐ E3-E6 → 33 respondents
- ☐ E7-E9 → 28 respondents
- ☐ 01-02 → 2 respondents
- ☐ 03-05 → 98 respondents
- ☐ 0-6 or higher → 16 respondents
- ☐ Warrant Officer → 6 respondents

18. Marital/Family Status:

- ☐ Single → 30
- ☐ Single parent → 14
- ☐ Married, no children → 25
- ☐ Married with children → 113

**19. What would you identify as USSOUTHCOM's top QOL factor?
(meaning what is positive or good about the current location)**

(answers listed separately)

20. What would you identify as the USSOUTHCOM QOL factor needing the most improvement or if there is one area needing most improvement, what would it be?

(answers listed separately)

21. Suggestions to improve USSOUTHCOM's QOL:

(answers listed separately)